IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Vernon D. Erickson et al.

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Hinged Mounting for Multiple Storage

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Preliminary Amendment

Dear Sir:

Please amend this Continuation Application before examination, as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, before line 5 insert: "This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/752,665, filed December 28, 2000."

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-8 without prejudice.

Please insert the following new claims:

- 9. An electronic device chassis comprising:
- a bracket for mounting two or more devices, said mounted devices oriented in a first plane;
- a hinge for rotatably connecting said bracket to said chassis, said hinge oriented parallel to said first plane.

- 10. The electronic device chassis of claim 1, wherein said two or more devices are storage devices.
- 11. The electronic device chassis of claim 1, further comprising:
 - a locking structure for locking said bracket in a first position.
- 12. An electronic system comprising:
 - a chassis;
- a bracket for mounting two or more devices, said mounted devices oriented in a first plane;
- a hinge for rotatably connecting said bracket to said chassis, said hinge oriented parallel to said first plane.
- 13. The electronic system of claim 12, wherein said two or more devices are storage devices.

REMARKS

Consideration of this continuation with amended claims is respectfully requested. A clean copy of the claims is attached as an appendix.

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Clean version of the Claims

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- a bracket for mounting two or more devices, said mounted devices oriented in a first plane;
- a hinge for rotatably connecting said bracket to said chassis, said hinge oriented parallel to said first plane.
- 10. The electronic device chassis of claim 1, wherein said two or more devices are storage devices.
- 11. The electronic device chassis of claim 1, further comprising:
 - a locking structure for locking said bracket in a first position.
- 12. An electronic system comprising:
 - a chassis;
- a bracket for mounting two or more devices, said mounted devices oriented in a first plane;
- a hinge for rotatably connecting said bracket to said chassis, said hinge oriented parallel to said first plane.
- 13. The electronic system of claim 12, wherein said two or more devices are storage devices.